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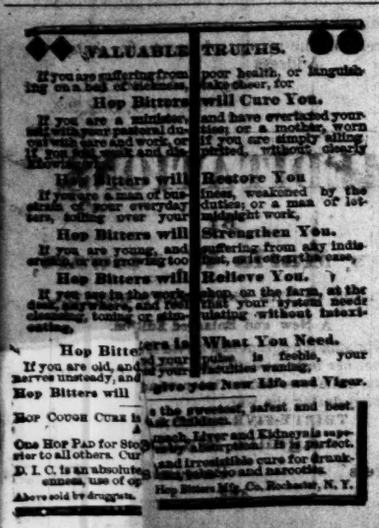

A TRIBUTE TO THE NEGRO.

[From the New York Evening Mail.]

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In 1865, emancipation came to the Negro; and it is a noteworthy fact that the liberation of four million slaves was attended with as little shock or perturbation as a lady withal lets loose her canary from its cage, and then the Negro, with the nature which God had given him, but which circumstances had tended so much to mar, addressed himself to the mighty problem of self-government. Let us see with what result at present.

In 1860, the slave population was 3,953,760; in '70, there were 4,880,070 colored citizens of the South; in 1879, the number had reached about 5,900, 000, thus refuting the confident predictions of their dying out. There is also proof of their moral advancement in a still larger ratio. The number of school houses in the South is far beyond anything dreamed of twenty years ago. Every little hamlet has its school. Nor is the higher grade of education neglected. Seminaries and colleges worthy to stand on a par with the best institutions in the land have been established for the Negro, and are sustained by him. It is a fact, that in the matter of education he has shown a thirst and eagerness that put to shame the record of the South under the denomination of the former white slave masters. They have advanced equally in religion and morality. In ten years the number of churches has quadrupled. Petty crimes have diminished. The marriage relation is becoming general. Industry and thrift is common. There is a general elevation of the race, physically, morally and intellectually, which will put it on a favorable comparison with the more famed white race, and that, too, under circumstances of discouragement and difficulty which few have had to encounter.

FACTS FULL OF ELOQUENCE.

This progress is observable, not alone in those parts of the South where slavery was supposed to lie with lightest hand, and to be paternal in its character and operation, but also in those sections where it has reduced the Negro to his lowest level. Indeed, it would seem that in those parts especially the rebound from the crushing effects of slavery has been [illegible]. In Mississippi, especially, [illegible]ceable. In one of the gubernatorial messages we see it stated that in thirty-one counties in that State, there were issued, in 1865, 564 marriage licenses, and in 1870 there were 3427; in 1878 the number exceeded 12,000. In the same counties, in 1865, the number of colored churches was 106; in 1870, 283; in 1878, 430. In 1865, the number of colored schools was 19; in 1870, 148; in 1878, 390. Figures seldom speak with greater eloquence than these. They tell of advancement in morality, of a desire for spiritual elevation, of a thirst for knowledge, and a determination to seek improvement through all possible channels not only most marvellous but without precedent in the pages of history. Here is another fact, disproving the charge of idleness and thriftlessness which many are so fond of bringing against the Negro: In 1860 the cotton crop was 3,580,000 bales. It was inevitable that the waste of the war should decrease this, and in 1866 it was but 1, 900,000; but the rebound was prompt and prodigious, and, in 1872, the voluntary labor of the freedmen contributed 3,900,000 bales, and since then the crop has gone on increasing and exceeding anything known in the palmiest days of slavery. Yet another fact in this connection cannot be omitted. In 1872, the National Freedmen's Trust Company, but one of many similar savings institutions, held on deposit over $2,000,000 of the savings of the enfranchised slaves; and the present amount of savings held by the different institutions, could it be ascertained, would no doubt make a most remarkable showing.

THE FUTURE OF THE NEGRO.

Gratifying as these figures are, they give but a faint idea of the physical, mental and moral improvement of the Negro of the South, compared to that which might be gained by going among them and contrasting their present condition with the past. That the Negro has made grave mistakes where he has had supreme control and legislative functions is not to be denied; but it must be remembered that he was schooled and reared in slavery, and that his first political lessons were learned in the worst possible school of politics, and under carpet-bag politicians. He was utterly ignorant and unpractical, and consequently the easy dupe and tool of every crafty and unprincipled knave. It is really wonderful that he has made so few errors. Naturally he looked up to his white friends, as he thought them, for instruction and leading, and they were oftener ready to lead them astray, for the carrying out of their own selfish purposes, than to put him in the right direction.

HIS OPPRESSION IN THE SOUTH.

It is a sad fact that the lot of the Negro in the South is to-day hardly less intolerable than was the slavery from which the late war emancipated him. All that has ever been accomplished in the way of improvement, and the results, as we have shown, have been by no means small, has been in the face of the bitterest persecution and opposition. Their actual physical suffering, and the oppression to which they are subjected, is as severe as in the old days of slavery. About the only difference is that now they cannot be bought and sold on the auction block. Recent revelations showed that men are hired to work the farms on shares, and the owners of the land supply the provisions they consume, and sell the products, and keep the accounts, and at the end of the year the laborer is often brought in debt to the landlord. But this thing has been so widely overdone that it is at last marking its own course. The Negro at length refuses to stay under such a condition of things any longer than it is necessary to get away from it. Hence the exodus that has been inaugurated, and which will eventually result in the transfer of immense numbers from the States of the South, where their labor can be ill spared, to the newer States, where under more favorable and just conditions, they will be permitted to work out the problem of their new life. If the South could only realize her true interest in this matter, she would treat the Negro justly and kindly, and endeavor to keep him rather than drive him away. She cannot thwart the purposes of Divine Providence, and in blindly attempting to do so will only make her own punishment the sorer. States can no more afford to do wrong than individuals, and the punishment for wrong doing falls as certainly on the one as on the other.

At once the oldest and the newest race upon the earth, the Negro is without a history, and what he will become under the new dispensation upon which he has entered, can as yet be only vaguely surmised. The leading of this people out of the bonds of slavery, parallels the deliverance of Israel out of Egypt. The Divine Hand is evidently preparing for them an enviable destiny, and under its infallible guidance they will not fail to attain it. Let us be careful not to put ourselves in opposition to it.

W. G. Haeselbarth.

THE COLOR-LINE IN GEORGIA.

There are certain great American principles imbedded in the constitution of the United States, enshrined in the hearts of the American people, which it would be well to remind these gentlemen of, who insist that the Republican party is to be officered and ruled *ad infinitum* by white men. A reading of the constitution by the light of the Declaration of Independence, will inform them that all men, regardless of color, have an equal chance, before the law, to occupy any position they can get; that there is [illegible] single line in the statutes of the United States that entitles a white man more than a colored man to become a delegate to Chicago or chairman of the State Central committee. The code of Amerisan citizenship designates no particular race for the leadership of American freemen—here all men are equal. Popularity and capacity set one man above another.

In the early days of Repuplicanism, when men like John P. Hale and Joshua R. Giddings were leaders in our great National party, the Republicans were knighted "Black Republicans." A Paris paper, speaking of Mr. Banks, who was then running for the speakership of the lower house of Congress, referred, without any reproach whatever, to this distinguished Massachusetts white man, as the "Negro Congressman." If, in those infant days of the recognition of the colored man, some of the noblest heroes of the Nation could dare to fight their battles under the cognomen of "Black" or "Negro" Republicans, it is certainly out of place for those professing Republicanism, to grow sulky in the noonday of this era of progress-liberty, and like another Achilles, sit down, remote from the battle, in sight of their party struggling for the rights of mankind.

Acknowledging that this is no time to make charges against the white men who have been or are acting with us, nevertheless, with guarded language the assertion can be truthfully made, that the colored man has not had the chance to gain as much political knowledge in the South, under the leadership of the past, as should have been gained. The men who lead, lead simply for personal aggrandizement, for office or honor. They have never made any arrangements by which colored men have had their local citizenship more fully recognized. Yet, for these things alone, we do not say that the sceptre should be snatched from Judah. But recognizing the fact that 'Judah is a lion's whelp,' we are also mindful of the prophecy that the time would come when the law-giver should depart from between his feet; a time when the insignia of power was to be shared by others.

Is it ungrateful to insist that *that* day has come in Georgia? The children of the field, of the plow and the hoe, are rising. Their heads have rubbed against the college walls of the Atlanta University, and other institutions of learning—not sufficiently to make them airish, but sufficiently to open their eyes.

Now, gentlemen, it is painful for us to speak thus plainly to you, but it has been forced upon us. The *Journal of Progress* is no advocate of the color question. It has studiously avoided pressing this issue. Its editor flatly refused to have anything to say or do with the resolution when it was first introduced at Thomasville. While the justice of the spirit of the resolution was recognized, the propriety of its introduction was denied.

But away with personal bickerings and race prejudices! Away with dissensions and wrangling! Let each man nerve himself for the fray. There is a foeman strong and uncompromising to fight. United we stand, but divided we fall.

RICHMOND—THE CHURCH SQUABBLE.

The most interesting news, and at the same time the most disgraceful, is the trouble at our church. Despite what you have read from the papers, there is the most earnest desire on the part of the majority that this case be settled on peace terms, and not in the interest of any particular man.

We all love Rev. Holmes, but would rather lose him a hundred times than have a constant misunderstanding. The presence of the police in a church-meeting gave as much offense as the presence of troops at the polls.

Politics are becoming very much mixed, and it is hard to tell when and where a fellow votes next. We are inclined to vote for almost any one who is opposed to the regular conservative ticket; my impression is that the readjusters will make a very fair fight, and will win in some of the wards. There may be nothing in store for the Negro, but I shall feel happy if I can be an instrument by which a better state of things will ultimately be brought about. We are not at present considering the amount of the State debt, nor how it shall be paid; but we are aiming to improve our condition through other means.

A MUSICAL GENIUS.

[From the Bulletin.]

Tuesday night the new organ built by N. R. Harper for St. James M. E. Church was opened and presented to the trustees. Addresses were delivered by Rev. W. R. Davis and A. J. Brown. Excellent music was furnished by the church choir. Messrs. Harper and A. R. Burgess performed organ voluntaries. The organ is valued at $500, and was designed and the work executed entirely by N. R. Harper, Esq.

The organ is 5 feet 10 inches wide, 4 feet deep, and 9½ feet high; has an impost of three large wooden pipes on each front corner, tastefully ornamented; and the whole front finished with a setting of 15 gilded pipes, with free letting to the top of the instrument.

The whole organ consists of reeds and pipes, and the inventive part of the work is the attachment of the pipes to an ordinary reed organ, which forms the key-board of the instrument. The organ has four speaking stops and two mechanical stops. The usual fan frame and roller board action is attached to the keys, and the pipes are supplied with wind by a double feeder crop-fold square bellows, which is pumped in the usual way. Half the diapason pipes are on one side of the organ and half on the other, ranging from "C" four-foot tone to "D," sharp, by a mechanical contrivance which is operated upon by a draw stop. Either the reeds or pipes can be played separately. Another draw stop signals the blower, and is a matter of great convenience to the player. Owning to the size of the room, the pipes are low, and yet the tone of the whole instrument is sufficient for all practical purposes in the church.

An Alumni meeting of the Theological Dept. of Howard University was held in the Law Room of the College Building, at 11 a. m., Friday May 7th, 880. After the preliminary exercises the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: E. W. Williams, president, W. G. Colby, vice-president, P. F. Morris, recording secretary, H. T. Johnson, corresponding secretary, A. W. Upshaw, treasurer, executive committee, G. T. Dillard, A. W. Upshaw and G. T. Jennings.

The following report of the executive committee was then adopted:

That the next meeting be held in the College Chapel on the last Friday evening before the closing, scholastic year, 1881; and that the exercises be an address by Rev. A. J. Henry, subject, The duty of the Pastoral Office, and also by Rev. G. T. Jennings on The Progress of Christianity.

A colored citizen of Mobile, Ala., named Alexander is announced as the owner of the *Register*, the "oldest and best" Democratic paper in the State. It is stated the cost of purchase was $250,000.—*Ex.*

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The *Journal of Progress* strikes right to the mark. Go on, brother Wright. "Hew to the line, let chips fly where they will."

We never see the *Peoples' Advocate* here in Boston.—HOWARD in last week's *Argus*.

Well, Howard, suppose you invest some of that $27,000 recently given you for rescuing those drowning boys in Maryland,—say the interest of it in cash subscriptions in "Bosting," then you'll be pretty sure to see it.

Poor Whittaker! They have spun a nice web for the lone cadet, or he has woven a nice one for himself—that's what the public is oscillating between, but we cannot yet believe that he has feigned an outrage. Whatever doubt may still hang over this affair, none hangs over the public as to the isolation from which he has suffered, and to which the faculty has given moral support from the very first. No fair minded jury could convict Whittaker upon the testimony received, although it may bias one's mind; for it is a principle of evidence that personal guilt must be established to the exclusion of every other hypothesis.

On the other hand, no tribunal would acquit General Schofield and his faculy of neglect to break down the public and private social indignities heaped on Whittaker because of his color.

When General Schofield gets through with his play, it will be in order that he be retired from the management of West Point. A little active service among the Indians would be an excellent tonic for him.

THE NEW BISHOPS.

We believe the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church has certainly shot wide of the mark in the selections just made to the bishopric. It is true that *all* the men selected are in a certain sense able men; but it is a fact that they might have done much better and kept pace with the progress of the times, than electing both Revs. R. H. Cain and H. M. Turner. A better selection, however, than the election of Rev. W. F. Dickerson has not been made in the history of the organization, which must be either, an accident or the result of local combinations.

For such a high office as bishop, the very best men, best in natural ability, best in scholarship and best in public deportment—well balanced men should be chosen. Rev. Turner possesses certainly one of the most brilliant minds among us—in fact he is a kind of genius; he has succeeded admirably as a publisher, as his reports show, but as a bishop we apprehend he will not be that improvement which the increased facilities of the times and its opportunities demand. Since in four years past he has done marvels as a publisher, it would have been wise to have retained him as such.

Rev. R. H. Cain is certainly one of the ablest men of the connexion; but he is not exemplary in all other respects. We neither know nor insinuate against his character, but this we affirm, that he seems to believe in the jesuitical maxim, "let the end justify the means." Only a year ago he shocked the moral sense of this community by proposing a grand lottery drawing in aid of the proposed Metropolitan A. M. E. church. Even the *Christian Recorder*, the organ of the denomination did not commend the enterprise, while other religious papers spoke boldly against it. The public repudiated the scheme and it came to grief.

Such a minister, according to our notions, will not honor the bishopric; or, while filling this high office, add to the credit of the race.

Rev. W. F. Dickerson, an alumnus of Lincoln University, is of unblemished character, a progressive and public spirited man, as his work in New York gives ample assurance. In his election, the Conference, it may be unwittingly, did well; why it did not select the other two from such men as Rev. A. T. Carr, George T. Watkins (who has no superior as a theologian or preacher in the entire connexion) Revs. J. C. Embry or J. T. Jenifer, we cannot imagine.

Because of the high regard we have always had for the denomination in which we were cradled, and because of its importance in shaping the future of the race, we make these criticisms. We would not extenuate, and have we set down naught in malice.

GENERAL ARMSTRONG.

Last week General Armstrong underwent a severe catechising in the Virginia Baptist Convention, which Revs. Johnson, Williams, Brooks and Allen participated. Reference being made by some one to publications in the ADVOCATE, Armstrong could ony say; "Well, Cromwell will say anything in his paper." Ish dot so, mine General?

Well, we will just add this to the many things we have previously said: A prominent "white" educator whose reputation in his own denomination is beyond question, and whose position as an educator is fully as responsible as Armstrong's, in course of a conversation recently held, volunteered it as his experience that the education which Hampton furnishes might suffice for an old field school teacher, but it would not do to build a professional education upon. That is about all we have contended; that Hampton is good, so far as it goes, but it does not go far enough for a Normal School; it is inferior in in course of study to that pursued at Blacksburg, or to that at the Richmond Institute, and inferior to that of the grammar schools of any Northern city.

Armstrong says, the American Negro by reason of circumstances over which the present generation has no control, is practically inferior to the white man, therefore, he should be content with an inferior education. He has already been publicly classed by Armstrong as in intellectual forced beneath the Indian, who refuses the white man's civilization.

From this we must conclude that General Armstrong is either an honest fool or a Pharasaical hypocrite, and the sooner another man is placed at the head of Hampton, the better it will be for the institution; for so long as Armstrong carries out his present policy of marking out a subordinate sphere for the Negro, the General must expect the protests of the pulpit and the press, and what is sadder still, that many of his own graduates, when amid the stern realities of the struggle before them, they are brought to realize the half-preparation for it, received at what they believed was their alma mater.

Fully recognizing and appreciating the industrial feature of Hampton, we contend that Virginia, on the score of economy, must have at least one institution where academical studies can be pursued. State pride forbids that she be behind Georgia with Atlanta, Tennessee with Fisk and Central College, Louisiana with Straight or Kentucky with Berea.

There is as good native intellectual fibre in the Old Dominion as in any of the Southern States, and the Old Dominion needs it all. If it is trained out of the State or, not at all, to that degree of excellence for which we look for vigorous and sustained manly effort, it will be an irreparable loss to the State and to the race.

State pride certainly should not allow Gnneral S. C. Armstrong to dictate, to shape, to mould at his will the destiny of a half of a million of as loyal children as empire ever had.

Special.

☞ A party of ladies and gentlemen have engaged the excursion packet M. C. Meigs for a trip to the Great Falls, leaving Georgetown at the foot of the Aqueduct bridge Friday night at midnight. Those desiring to accompany them, as the boat has accommodations for two hundred excursionists, will please, without delay, see Mr. Richard J. Jackson, of the Patent Office.

OUR PROGRESS.

As stages and stage routes are quickly abandoned with the completion of railroads, so the huge, drastic, cathartic pills, composed of crude and bulky medicines, are quickly abandoned with the instruction of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets, which are sugar-coated, and little larger than mustard seeds, but composed of highly concentrated vegetable extracts and are warranted to cure all irregularities of stomach, liver, and bowels. Sold by druggists.

EDUCATIONAL.

The commencement exercises of Storer College will occur the last week in May as follows: Tuesday, May 25. examination of classes; Wednesday, May 26, at 3 p. m. Alumni exercises, oration by William D. Wilson, poem by J. P. Lovett. At 8 p. m. address to students by Rev. George H. Hall, D. D., of Buffalo, N.Y. May 27, at 10 a. m., anniversary exercises and awarding of diplomas. At 3 p m. address before the Literary Societies by Professor Greener, of Washington, D. C. At 6.30 p.m. exhibition music by Moxley's Band, Hagerstown, Md., and College Glee Clubs—half fare on railroads. The public is invited.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Nugent left this week for Utica, New York.

Thomas Cayton, principal of the colored schools of Charlottesville, Va., is here enjoying the sights.

Mr. Charles H. Evans has pulled up stakes, and is going to try his luck at Newport, Rhode Island.

Revs. Mortie Lewis and R. H. Porter took in the city, en route from Hampton where they attended the Baptist Convention.

Prof. Joseph E. Jones, of the Richmond Institute, arrived here Wednesday morning and is stopping at Mrs. Williams', 1118 K-street, n. w. He is en route to Saratoga Springs. N. Y., where he addresses the Baptist Mission Society.

Miss Coralie Franklin, one of the teachers in Storer College, accompanied by Miss Brown of Cumberland, Md., arrived here last week, and left Tuesday evening. Miss Franklin is a young lady of many accomplishments and is bound to make her mark in her chosen vocation.

Rev. Elias H. Bolden, of the Virginia A. M. E. Conference, was at the commencement of his alma mater Wednesday night. Somehow Elias manages to get here quite frequently of late. Of course it is "business"—for the minister and the clerk of the court, we presume.

William E. Matthews has been invited by the president and faculty of Wilberforce University to deliver the annual address to the graduating class on the 15th of June. Mr. Matthews has accepted and will speak on "Young Manhood: Its Relation to a Worthy Future."

Rev. J. W. Dunjee is at Harrisburg, Pa., the pastor of a Freewill Baptist church. To-day he is a stalwart Republican and a strong Blaine man. He went down South to live a few years ago, and he never knew till then how meanly his race was treated. Brother Dunjee, here's our hand. My dear Joe, "While the lamp holds out to burn, etc."

Mr. William H. Price, a prominent caterer of Philadelphia, was buried from Cherry-street Baptist church in that city on Sunday, May 16. The services, which were conducted by Rev. Theodore D. Miller, were very impressive. The floral offerings were fine, and the remains were followed not only by nearly the whole congregation and Sunday school, but by the Philadelphia Caterers' Association.

BALTIMORE NOTES.

The ladies seem to appreciate this Leap Year; another Leap Year Entertainment was given by a select company of ladies, at No. 139 Druid Hill Avenue. The large and spacious parlor was filled with the invited guest, all appearing in their full customes. All the ladies escorting their beaux in carriages. Much praise is due the ladies for the successful management of the same. The invitations bore the names of Misses Lucy Thompson, G. Gibson and M. Collins.

The May Festival held by the members of the newly organized Presbyterian Church, on Monday and Tuesday Evening, May 17th and 18th was a success in every particular. The Festival was given for the benefit of the enterprise. Rev. C. J. Hedges is pastor of this flock.

The 27th Anniversary of G. U. of Nazarites took place at the Leadenhall St. Baptist Church, on Sunday May 16th 1880. The sermon was preached by Rev. A. Brown, pastor of the church. His sermon was listened to with attention, and all went away feeling much benefited.

The ladies of the Madison St. Presbyterian church will give another of their pleasant Cambric Tea Parties on Monday, 24th inst. Nothing but an agreeable time is expected. One of the peculiar features, will be the appearing of all the lady workers in cambric. Full account next week.

THE ST. PAULS LYCEUM met at usual place, American Hall, cor. Lexington and Eutaw streets. Mr. J. Bell the president. Mr. G. H. Page was the first gentleman to address the Lyceum. His subject was: "The necessity of supporting literary work." He spoke fully fifteen minutes. His remarks were forcible and carried conviction with them. He was followed by Miss Annie P. Reed, who read an essay entitled:—"The main trunk, or the leap for life." Her soft voice, and the manner in which she delivered her subject, held the attention of her hearers beautifully. She took her seat amid tremendous applause.

The debate was next; Subject:—"Does hanging lessen crime?—Aff., Mr. R. F. Richardson, Neg..—Mr. Murray. Judges chosen were Messrs. Merchant, Willson and Semons. The question was ably discussed by both gentlemen. It was decided in favor of the affirmative, Mrs. James, one of our representative women addressed the Lyceum. Her remarks were both edifying and encouraging.

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THE MARRIAGE OF JAMES F. NEEDHAM.

A COUNTRYMAN'S ACCOUNT.

CHESTER, May, 1880.

DEAR ADVOCATE: I was struck with surprise when I picked up your last issue and saw the announcement of the marriage of my old friend, James F. Needham to another old friend, Miss Dora Brooks. The event had not been unlooked for. The manner (so quiet) is what startled me. I hastened to the city to offer my congratulations. The happy couple are snugly fixed at No. 602 Pine street, surrounded by everything to make their new start in life a happy one. The particular object of this note is to give you a description of some of the presents which have come since. There was no time for the selections before. (Mr. Needham's best man did not receive his notice till 4 p. m. of the day. 'Tis well known to you that Mr. Needham has been for nine or ten years a clerk in the office of the Receiver of Taxes, he having served under three or four administrations. During that time many changes have been made in the office. Some have died, some have had to give way for others with stronger backing, and some are now learning trades at the State's expense under keepers. Of the clerks who commenced with Mr. Needham only four others remain who form in the office what is known as "the Clique." The other members of the clique decided to give Mr. N. some substantial recognition of their appreciation, and if it is measured by their presents, he has occasion to be proud. A massive silver pitcher and tray, with two goblets and slop-bowl, lined with gold, while Mr. Roberts, the receiver of taxes, whose acquaintance with Mr. N. does not date back more than a year or so, (he having been elected in 1879,) sent him a complete silver tea service, from an establishment, the mere mention of which usually strikes terror to ordinary mortals.

Miss Louisa P. Matthews, of your city, who, by the way, is a cousin of the groom, was an early recipient of the news, and responded with a box of silver teaspoons. Mr. Bolivar was early on hand with his face full of smiles and his hands full of a marble top table. Many other useful and ornamental things have been sent, and are still being sent. I took lodgings next door, (by accident, however) and from my window I frequently see an expressman deliver something. We hear many of Mr. Needham's old friends and acquaintances commending the manner of his going off. There are others who, like her, are so well known that it would be impossible for them to attempt to invite without expecting to give offense to many who, in the excitement attendant the preparations for so important a stay, would be forgotten. 'Tis well that something has occurred to enliven the town. I never saw it so dead. I find almost as much excitement in quiet Chester as here. Fearing I may either weary your patience or that I may be devoting too much time to something which to find again I may have to seek your waste-basket, I close.

Sincerely yours, F. H.

"I DON'T WANT THAT STUFF.

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—The lovely parks and circles in the city are crowded these beautiful evenings.

—Rev. Robert Johnson's church is holding a fair and festival, and it is well patronized.

—WANTED—A certain Baptist church in this city to close hereafter before 11 o'clock.

—May Feast by the 5th Baptist church at Lincoln Mission next Thursday evening, the 27th.

—The 19th St. Sunday School gave a charming May Feast at Bethel Hall last night.

—The great Hanlan and Courtney boat-race, which was not a boat race, came off last Wednesday.

—Prof. Joseph E. Jones of Lynchburg will preach at the Berean Baptist church Sunday morning. He is excellent—go and hear him.

—The Knight Templars will have their grand parade and competitive drill in Alexandria next Saturday, the 29th.

—Don't forget the musical and literary entertainment by the Allen Club, of Georgetown, next Tuesday evening, the 25th inst.

—Mrs. William H. Brown and daughter, of the popular Baltimore caterer, is visiting our city, the guest of Mrs. G. H. Lee on Tenth street northwest.

—Societies and Churches desiring local notices of their entertainments and other special exercises in order to ensure the same should send complimentary tickets.

—We call the attention of our correspondents and others to the notice at the head of the columns giving the days on which articles for publication should reach this office.

—The Sabbath School union which met in Georgetown last Sunday was largely attended and the exercises were interesting A number of ladies and gentlemen from the city were present.

—The Union Aid Association of Ebenezer church, Georgetown, will have their annual sermon preached to them next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. J. T. Costin.

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—The anniversary and presentation social of Mount Ararat Lodge of Good Samaritans will take place in Market Hall, corner Massachusetts avenue and 5th street, on Wednesday evening, June 2. Admission 15 cents.

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—The concert by Union Bethel choir, at Bethel Hall, on Friday evening, the 14th, was excellent. The choruses were beautiful and the part well balanced. Miss Sarah Jurix sustained her solos, in a creditable manner, and remarded one forcibly of Miss Amelia Tilghman both in her personal appearance and her rendition of the music. Mr. Layton did well in his bass solos as he always does, and was vociferously applauded each time. Once when he was encored, a lady who sat near remarked, "Poor fellow, they don't give him time to catch his breath." The quartette, "Sweet memory of departed days," was really fine, and was only marred by the alto, which was a little too harsh for the other parts. After the concert the hall was cleared of seats and the promenading began. Rev. G. W. Brodie was present, and seemed to enjoy a brief visit to his late congregation.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

The Origin of Races and Color, by Martin R. Delany, Second and Revised edition. Harper and Brother, Philadelphia, publishers.

My Southern Home, by William Wells Brown, Boston, Mass.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE for June is profusely illustrated, and is now ready, containing 1. Summerland Sketches, Conclusion, The Virgin Woods of the Sierra Nevada, by Dr. Felix L. Oswald, illustrated. 2. Spiritual Illumination, a poem, by Paul H. Hayne. 3. Carpeau, by Olive Logan, illustrated. 4. Adam and Eve, a novel, by the author of Dorothy Fox. 5. Through the Yellowstone Park to Fort Custer. Part First. By Dr. S. Weir Mitchell. 6. Old St. David,s at Radnor. A poem. By Henry W. Longfellow, illustrated. 7. The Career of a Prarie Farmer, by Mary Hartwell Catherwood. 8. Schmiederer's Lena, a story, by Leslie Keith. 9. Our Young Kindergartner, a sketch. 10. Studies in the Slums. No. 2. Jerry, by Helen Campbell. 11. Lawn Tennis, by De Lancey Nicoll. 12. German Boys and Men, by Marriott Pyne. 13. An Open Secret. A poem, by Caroline A. Mason. 14. Social Aspects of the Forties. A sketch. 15. After Fourteen Years, a story by M. S. D. 16. Our Monthly Gossip. 17. Literature of the Day. Longfellow's new poem, Old Saint David's, appears in this number. For sale by all book and news dealers. Terms: Yearly subscription, $4.00 Single number, 35 cents. Specimen number mailed, postage paid, to any address on receipt of 20 cents.

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The Lost God. Frances L. Gardner.

The Unlearned Professions. Edward Atkinson.

Records of W. M. Hunt. III. Henry C. Angell.

Hills of Asham. Jean Scofield.

An Old War Horse to a Young Politician.

Future of Precious Metal Mining in the United States. N. S. Shaler.

Presage. Charlotte Fiske Bates.

The Bible in the Nursery. Mrs. Edward Ashley Walker.

Maidenhair. Edgar Fawcet.

The Undiscovered Country. XVII. W. D. Howells.

The Poet and his Songs. Henry W. Longfellow.

Reminiscences of Washington. IV. The Jackson Administration, 1829-1837.

The Political Attitude of the South.

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The Louisiana G. U. O. O. F., of this and neighboring cities had a fine parade through the principal streets last Monday, followed by an oration by P. G. M., T. Morris Chester, and a ball at Exposition Hall Monday night. The day was delightful and our principal streets were thronged with crowds of onlookers noting the display and procession. Our colored Odd Fellows certainly made a handsome procession, and were very favorably commented upon by all classes of our people.

The Lodges in line were the Pride of Jefferson, No. 1679; Pride of Thibodeauxville, No. 1061; Benevolent, No. 1626, Mobile, Ala.; Pride of Louisiana, No. 1529; O. J. Dunn, No. 1548; Emblem of Progress, 1507; Amos Lodge, No. 1487; P. G. M. Council, Mo. 30; Orleans Patriarchie, No. 7.

The regalias and notably handsome appearance of all the lodges deserve special mention. To the Pride of Jefferson, however, credit is due for superior excellence in display. The Grand Marshal of the day was Daniel Holland, with M. J. Simms, Chief Marshal, and the following aids: Messrs. T. N. Hill, Peter Harris, J. H. Bailey, Geo. W. Johnson, Joseph Machon ond C. H. Roxborough.

Visiting members of the order were present from Baton Rouge and Plaquemine, La., Vicksburg and Natchez, Miss., and Galveston, Texas. The music of the several brass bands in line gave sweet strains on the march, and of course contributed to the pageantry of the occasion. At night, Exposition Hall was filled with hundreds of well dressed people. The oration by P. G. M. Chester was an able and eloquent production.

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We are pleased to learn some five or six hundred dollars were realized from the Exposition Hall entertainment, and that each lodge, Council and Patriarchie were handsomely rewarded.—*Louisianian.*

KANSAS.

Shawnee Lodge No. 1923, Topeka Kas. celebrated their first anniversary last week by a street parade, bouquet and speech-making. Exodus Lodge No. 2024 participated in by invitation. Odd Fellows from different sections of Kansas were present.

ALABAMA.

The fifth annual anniversary of Hope of Alabama Lodge No. 1632 was celebrated Thursday of last week in Montgomery, Ala. Gen. T. Morris Chester of New Orleans, La., deliverd a most excellent address in the principles usefulness and work of the order Tournament riding followed in which te Knights participated. A go-as-you-pleasn walking match of five miles was beclared a tie, but a Miss Julia Harris received the prize for being the neatest dressed young lady on the grounds.

KENTUCKY.

From a Louisville exchange we learn that Union Lodge had one of the largest attendances of its own members at the first regular meeting this month, on last Monday night, the 3rd inst., than at any time since its existence. Several members who were the founders, and who have not been within its walls for seven or eight years, were seen in attendance and greeted with that true and hearty welcome known only by Odd Fellows.

TENNESSEE.

Duck River Lodge No. 1947, celebrated their first anniversary May 7. The streets were crowded by white and colored citizens. At night there was a supper given under the supervision of the ladies. Interesting addresses were delivered by C. J. Thompson and Rev. J. A. Franklin.

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